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To whom it may concern:

I guess I must not be too bright but I just don't understand why the government keeps dragging out this settlement with Microsoft. As a registered voter who exercises my right to vote in every election I urge you to settle this matter and get on with other things that are really important!

The fact that the government brought this action in the first place amazes me. It has always appeared to me that Microsoft built a better mouse trap. The general public liked the new mouse trap and bought them by the millions. Seeing that the mouse trap was so successful, Microsoft made it easier to use and interact with the mouse trap. This upset the other mouse trap manufacturer's who ran to the government whining that they couldn't fairly compete because Microsoft's mouse trap was so much better and popular. These competitors hired powerful lobbyists so the government then agreed to try and make it more difficult for Microsoft to make and sell so many of their better mouse traps. Free enterprise becomes very expensive for Microsoft and it's stock holders, employees and customers who all suffer as this drags on. Can Checker's get the government to go after McDonald's because they sell more hamburgers? I think KMart should have you close a few Wal-Marts and Targets to save their butts. This whole thing has been nothing more than sour grapes from the companies who aren't as smart as Microsoft but have the money to hire the right lobbyists.

PLEASE settle and let the businesses who are hiding behind the government's power work on building their own better mouse trap.

Sincerely,
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